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# ART DAHLIAS



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## GREENSBORO GARDENS

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1928

# GREENSBORO GARDENS

—ART DAHLIAS—

GREENSBORO, MARYLAND

## TO THE DAHLIA LOVER:

It is with pride that we present our 1928 catalog with its **REMARKABLE VALUES**. The offering of these values was made possible by our many patrons in 1927, together with the wonderful success we had with our dahlias in the field, aided by our scientific cultivation, and, last but not entirely the least was Nature's wonderful assistance.

We are now passing on to our patrons the profit of our increase in the form of **ART DAHLIAS** (dahlias of merit which compel respect) at money saving prices to you. We are sure this will be appreciated by our patrons and the Lover of Flowers who will receive our booklet.

We wish to thank our many patrons for past favors, and earnestly solicit your patronage in the future.

Place your order for roots or plants early, thereby enabling us to render you efficient service.

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## WELCOME! ALWAYS!

Come to **GREENSBORO GARDENS** any time from Mid-August until frost, and enjoy acres of the most beautiful Dahlia blooms of every shade and color.

We are only 88 miles from Philadelphia—Penna. R. R., or, Motor through Wilmington, Newark and Elkton—Maryland's famous State Highway, 107 miles. Motor over the Du Pont Boulevard to Dover, Del.—turn right at West Division Street, to Marydel, thence by Maryland State Highway, 93 miles. Every mile a Boulevard—by either route.

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## REFERENCES

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All roots are from Field Grown Stock. Plants are hardened and well rooted before shipping.

Throughout our catalog the Asterisk (\*) before name of a Dahlia, indicates a stem most suitable for cutting.

ORDER EARLY—Preventing possible disappointment.

SUBSTITUTIONS—Made only with your permission.

TERMS—Remittance with order.

DELIVERY—Starts May 1 for bulbs; May 15 for plants.  
We prepay transportation.

ON ORDER—Please write plainly your name and full address.

GUARANTEE—All tubers and plants to be true to name.

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PLANTS—We receive many letters inquiring about plants, "are they as good as roots and how do we plant them, and do they make flowers the first season, do they make roots?"

Our plants are grown and hardened in three inch pots. When you plant them out treat them the same as any other plant. Plants are equally as good as roots so far as flowers are concerned and will produce as many blooms. Plants will produce roots to take up in the fall the same as from tubers, though in some cases they do not make as many or as large.

The great advantage in plants is that the grower can offer varieties where the stock is limited, and at lower prices than roots. Thereby enabling the lover of flowers to secure a quantity of varieties at a minimum cost.

Bulbs are easy to pack and carry better when shipped long distances than plants, though we have sent plants as far as Texas and they arrived in good condition. We use every precaution in packing our bulbs and plants to insure safe delivery. We do not advise sending plants more than a thousand miles, unless the order is large enough to put in a crate (12 or more).

## DECORATIVE DAHLIAS.

\***Amun Ra or the Sun God** (Giant Decorative). One of the most sensational Dahlias; distinct both in color and formation, and while a giant in size is without coarseness. Shading to gold and amber, deepening in the centre to a dark reddish brown, the effect as a whole looks like a gorgeous sunset. The stems are strong; flowers last long on plant or when cut.

Tubers, 75c., plants, 50c.

**Azalea** (Decorative). Always attracts attention on account of its pleasing color and freedom in flowering. The flowers are good size, creamy yellow, suffused with salmon, shading to old rose, the depth of this shading depending upon weather conditions. . . . . Tubers, 35c.

**Bashful Giant** (Decorative). One of the largest Dahlias yet introduced; a great, attractive exhibition flower; color apricot with golden suffusion and shadings. . . . . Tubers, 75c.

**Bonnie Brae** (Decorative). Flowers of immense size of true decorative form, pale sulphur shading to creamy white, suffused with light rose pink. A great Dahlia that should be in every collection. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

\***California Superba** (Decorative). Claimed, with good reason, to be the largest light pink dahlia. The bloom is composed of narrow petals of a delicate pink and without blue tones, shading to white at the centre. Free bloomer on good stem. Retains its centre all season. Tubers, \$1.50, plants, 75c.

**Carmencita** (Fancy Decorative). Of all the fancy decorative varieties this is more consistently true in coloring than any other, in fact we have never seen it produce a self colored flower. The blooms are of large size, of unusually graceful formation; a bright yellow, striped with red. The plant is a compact grower, and a mass of bloom throughout the season; these are borne on good stems and are among the best to last when cut. . . . . Plants, 50c.

\***Champagne** (Giant Decorative). One of the largest Dahlias, but it has not only size to commend it, but is a model for shape, habit of growth, freedom of flowering and above all, its remarkable and distinct color, very aptly described by its introducer as golden champagne with chamois shadings, which color combination no doubt suggested its appropriate name. . . . . Tubers, \$1.00; plants, 75c.



## DECORATIVE DAHLIAS—Continued.

**Dakota** (Decorative). One of Judge Marean's introductions, a very large exhibition flower of good form on stout stems, color a deep tone of rich coral red with coppery suffusion; a good decorative garden variety. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*Doris Farrell** (Decorative). A splendid large, well-shaped flower of a pleasing lively shade of lilac pink with lighter suffusion, fine stems; ideal for cutting. . Tubers, \$1.00

**\*Dream** (Decorative). A lovely color of peculiar pink, more the coloring of peaches. An excellent cut flower of medium size. . . . . Tubers, 25c.

**Dr. Tevis** (Decorative). The coloring is of soft salmon rose suffused with old gold. . . . . Tubers, 40c.

**\*Faith Garibaldi** (Giant Decorative). A winner of Gold Medals. This is one of the most beautiful of dahlias; a profuse bloomer, starting early in August continuing until frost, producing large deep flowers on straight stiff stems. When first seeing this flower you pause in awe because of its intense depth of beauty. Unsurpassed for cutting and will last for a week in the house. A most beautiful shade of rose-pink.

Tubers, \$2.50; plants \$1.25

**Frau G. Scheiff** (Decorative). A most admired decorative type, bright lively chamois, with a faint suggestion of orange suffusion. The arrangement of its petals is quite distinct, often showing the coppery-orange reverse by their peculiar twisting.

Tubers, 35c.

**\*Gladys Peacock** (Decorative). A massive flower that lasts long. The flowers are of immense size, on very long, stiff stems. The color is lemon yellow at base of petals, shading to rose red; reflex red, veined, light mallow purple. A splendid exhibition variety. . . . . Tubers, \$1.00

**\*Gloriana** (Giant Decorative). A variety of huge size, and a splendid Dahlia for decorative effect, either for the garden or as a cut flower. Color pure old gold, intensified by a reddish glow in the centre. Exceptionally good long, leafless stems. . . . . Tubers, 75c.

## DECORATIVE DAHLIAS—Continued.

**\*Glory of Argonne** (Decorative). The most beautiful pink and white Dahlia grown. Color delicate violet rose shading to white at centre, perfect, even form on erect stem. One of our best for cut flower and exhibition. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*Hortulanus Fiet** (Decorative). Flower over 8 inches in diameter of the most delicate shade of shrimp pink, the tip of each petal barely touched with gold. The entire flower has a suffusion of delicate tints of red and yellow, which gives a glow, yet softness of color of great charm. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*Hortulanus Witte** (Decorative). Very large, pure white; with good stems. . . . . Tubers, 25c.

**Immense** (Decorative). Very large white suffused and tipped with bright rosy crimson. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*Insulinde** (Hybrid Decorative). Of beautiful autumnal coloring, the entirely distinct formation of its flowers being borne on rigid, stiff stems and held in horizontal position like a zinnia, aster or chrysanthemum, different from any other Dahlia. These flowers are large, 7 to 8 inches in diameter, with just sufficient broad, long curled and twisted petals to form a perfect and graceful flower of a beautiful golden ochre, with salmon red suffusion, which deepens towards the centre.  
Tubers, 75c.

**\*Isabel Street** (Decorative). A grand new variety. The flowers are large and are produced on long cane stiff stems. It is an early and continuous bloomer. The color at base of petal is bright yellow, shading to bright rose-red, with white tips, reflex pale pink. The large long-stemmed flowers are very full, the outer petals reflexing to the stem. . . Tubers, 75c.

**\*Jack Rose** (Decorative). The best crimson for garden or cutting; that brilliant red that made the "Jack" Rose popular and suggested the name. . . . . Tubers, 15c.

**\*Jersey Jewel** (Decorative). One of the newer dahlias, a vigorous grower producing many large mallow or mauve pink blooms . . . . . Plants, \$1.50



## DECORATIVE DAHLIAS—Continued.

**\*Judge Marean** (Decorative). A very large flower of perfect decorative shape. The colors changing as the flowers pass through different stages of development are a combination of glowing salmon pink, red, iridescent orange, yellow and gold, all blending most harmoniously; it is an early and continuous bloomer on long stems. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*Kittie Dunlap** (Decorative). Flowers early and continues perfect throughout the season. Its blooms are of the largest size, all that can be wished for in shape, and are carried on long, stiff practically leafless stems well above the plant; in color it is a much admired shade of carmine rose with a brilliant suffusion difficult to describe. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*Kitty de la Mare** (Decorative). It is a very strong, vigorous grower, of branching habit, producing flowers of medium size and lovely primrose-tinged pink color on long stems in great profusion. . . . . Tubers, 15c.

**\*Laddie** (Decorative). Soft yellow, shaded orange, the brilliant orange tint in the depth of the flower gives it a glowing appearance that is fascinating. Large flowers are produced in profusion and are held erect on strong stems, a most desirable cut flower that should be in every collection. . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*La Mascotte** (Decorative). Entirely distinct in formation and coloring. The face of the petals is silvery pink, while the reverse is reddish violet, the petals being quilled on first opening; the two-toned effect produced is very novel and pleasing. The flowers are of medium size and are produced on good stems in great profusion. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*Le Grand Manitou** (Decorative). White ground striped and speckled violet; blooms freely on long erect stems. One of the most popular dahlias. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*Lotus** (Decorative). Lotus is a favorite with every one who sees it; in color a most lively orange with an iridescent metallic luster that makes the flower stand out prominently among all others. It is of good size and in shape is not unlike a water lily, cut with short stem and laid in shallow dish, the effect is entrancing; it has splendid stems; grand for garden decoration and a glorious cut flower, particularly luminous under artificial light. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

## DECORATIVE DAHLIAS—Continued.

\***Lyndhurst** (Decorative). A good, all-around dahlia for the garden or cutting; a brilliant cardinal red. . . . Tubers, 15c.

\***Madonna** (Decorative). Pure white, free bloomer, flowers are borne on long stiff stems. . . . Tubers, 40c.

\***Mary C. Burns** (Decorative). Unique in color and entirely distinct from all other varieties; the flowers are large, of perfect decorative form; in color a luminous old gold with reddish reverse, a novel and pleasing color combination. The flowers are held erect on good stiff stems and are produced in great profusion. . . . Tubers, 50c.

**Millionaire** (Decorative). Stillman was the originator. Lavender, among the largest dahlias grown, a favorite, as a millionaire, should be. . . . Tubers, 75c.

\***Minnie McCullough** (Decorative). A wonder, because of its combination of autumn shades—the gold and red of autumn leaves. A wonderful bloomer, fine for cutting. Your garden is not complete without this suffusion of color.

Tubers, 25c.

\***Mrs. Carl Salbach** (Decorative). A California variety which has been accorded many honors. The plant is of exceptionally clean, vigorous, erect habit, producing its flowers on unusually long, stiff stems. These are of splendid decorative form, measuring fully 9 inches across, and are of a pleasing, lively shade of solferino pink with white suffusion, which brightens and intensifies its color, which is equally fine under natural as well as artificial light. . . . Tubers, 50c.

\***Mrs. I. de Ver Warner** (Decorative). The best-known and one of Judge Marean's finest introductions, produces great masses of absolutely perfect flowers under all conditions. In color it is of that refined, pleasing deep mauve-pink that is usually referred to as an orchid coloring and which every one loves. The flowers are large, of perfect form, on long, stiff stems. Blooms early and long. . . . Tubers, 75c.

\***Mrs. Richard Lohrman** (Decorative). A fine, pure deep golden yellow of large size holding its flowers high above the foliage on long upright stems, an excellent cut flower, and a splendid exhibition variety. . . . Tubers, 50c.

## DECORATIVE DAHLIAS—Continued.

**Oregon Beauty** (Decorative). Its rich color, an intense Oriental red with golden sheen and garnet suffusion makes it one of the varieties that stands out prominently. . . Tubers, 25c.

**Paul Bonyon** (Decorative). A most desirable autumn tint, a beautiful salmony pink with a golden sheen which intensifies the coloring; flowers of perfect form, good size. A free bloomer . . . . . Tubers, 25c.

**\*Paul Michael** (Decorative). One of the largest dahlias. Beautiful pointed petals, curled and twisted. In color a deep buttercup yellow, shaded with old rose. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*Peerless** (Decorative). A Bessie Boston creation. Tremendous bloom, very deep; regularly formed; good stem. Said to be the best clear sulphur yellow decorative. Bushes grow tall and are literally covered with blooms. Thoroughly proven in our own gardens. . . . . Tubers, \$1.50; plants, 75c.

**Pink Jack Rose** (Decorative). A pink sport of Jack Rose; a very free bloomer and fine for bedding. . . . . Tubers, 25c.

**\*Pride of California** (Decorative). A brilliant, glowing cardinal red, of very large size, held on extra good stems; very free and a wonderful keeper as a cut flower; one of the best of its color. . . . . Tubers, 35c.

**\*Pride of San Francisco** (Decorative). One of the magnificent newer Dahlias—fine as a specimen or for bedding. The flowers are 6 to 7 inches in diameter—borne on large stiff stems. The petals are of a most pleasing shade of salmon-pink, with soft rose suffusion towards the tips of the outer petals, and with golden base, the color effect as a whole being a pleasing brilliant golden salmon-pink, which is just as effective in artificial light as under daylight.

Tubers, \$1.00; plants, 50c.

**\*Princess Juliana** (Decorative). An ideal pure white for all purposes. A splendid cut flower and a good decorator for the garden. It is one of the earliest to flower, and continues in good shape throughout the season. It holds its flowers well above the foliage on stiff stems. . . . . Tubers, 25c.

## DECORATIVE DAHLIAS—Continued.

\***Princess Pat** (Giant Decorative). Flowers of immense size and of splendid decorative form, always coming with a full centre, in color a most pleasing shade of old rose that lights up wonderfully under artificial light. Free flowering and the flowers are carried on strong stems. . . . Tubers, 75c.

\***Queen Mary** (Decorative). A splendid long stemmed cut flower, not large, but of perfect form, and of tender, soft, apple-blossom pink color. . . . Tubers, 20c.

\***Rodman Wanamaker** (Dec. Peony). One of the new introductions. A vigorous grower, producing large blooms on long graceful stems, exceptionally good for cutting purposes. The color is distinct and attractive, the centre yellow, the outer petals light salmon toned yellow.

Tubers, \$4.00; plants, \$1.25

\***Sagamore** (Decorative). Think of it as "Sagamore gold"—a rich amber gold, elusively shadowed toward the centre with salmon-rose or orange buff. Magnificent in the garden or in a vase; blooms keep for days.

Tubers, \$1.50; plants, 75c.

\***Salmonea** (Decorative). A medium-sized flower of elegant form and exquisite coloring, a soft but lively tint of salmon-pink with golden suffusion; a splendid cut flower on excellent stems. Every one who sees Salmonea admires it.

Tubers, \$1.00

\***Shudow's Lavender** (Decorative). A beautiful blossom of exquisite lavender coloring. A Bessie Boston origination. Fine large flowers, held high above the attractive lace-like foliage of a tall-growing plant. Splendid stems. A true decorative and never shows a centre. No exhibit is ever without some of these beautiful flowers, and it is in great demand as a cut flower. . . . Tubers, \$1.25

\***Snowdrift** (Decorative). A truly wonderful white Dahlia, the blooms of giant size, held on good stems for cutting. The flowers are perfectly shaped. Fine, large, pure white.

Tubers, 50c.



### DECORATIVE DAHLIAS—Continued.

\***Sunshine** (Decorative). A most brilliant scarlet, faintly tipped golden yellow. Exquisite formation; flowers carried erect on good stems. A splendid large exhibition variety and fine for the garden.....Tubers, 50c.

**William Slocombe** (Decorative). A beautiful clean-cut, pure canary yellow of splendid form, with very large flowers; it is early flowering and continues good to the end of the season .....Tubers, 50c.

\***Wizard of Oz** (Giant Decorative). A great Dahlia from all points of view, formation, color, habit of growth and freedom of bloom. Really a wonderful all-around Dahlia, get it for the garden, exhibition, or cut flower. One of the largest in size, elegant formation, not coarse in any way, begins to flower early and holds its blooms perfect to the end of the season; these are produced on long, stiff stems, held so as to show them off to the very best advantage. In color it is a rare shade of amber-pink with soft salmon shading or suffusion. It always attracts great attention and is wonderful as a cut flower.....Tubers, \$1.25; plants, 75c.

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### CACTUS DAHLIAS.

\***Ambassador** (Hybrid Cactus). The sensational Dahlia since its introduction in 1921 when it won the first prize at the San Francisco show. Its color is a soft yellow at the centre with salmon, amber and pink shadings, gradually deepening towards the tips and outer floral rays. The blending of these colors captivates all. The flowers are of largest size, on perfect stems.....Tubers, \$1.00; plants, 50c.

\***Attraction** (Cactus). Large, elegant flower of a clear lilac rose, borne on long stiff stems and a dahlia of exceptional merit. A true peony-cactus type. .Tubers, 75c.; plants, 50c.

## CACTUS DAHLIAS—Continued.

**\*Betty Austin** (Cactus). The perfect Dahlia. Free and continuous bloomer. The flowers are full to the centre. Color, yellow at base of petal, blending to rosy carmine, and rose yellow at tips; reflex rose. The form is the ideal Hybrid Cactus, while the long slim stem holds the flower up to look you frankly in the face. The flowers are about seven inches in diameter. A wonderful commercial cut flower and an ideal garden plant. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*California Enchantress** (Hybrid Cactus). Flowers of very large size, of great substance and of a delightful shade of soft pink, borne on stiff, wiry stems in a great profusion. A splendid Dahlia in every way. . . . . Tubers, \$1.00; plants, 50c.

**\*Cigarette** (Hybrid Cactus). A distinct and novel Dahlia, attracting great attention. In color it is creamy white heavily edged with pomegranate red, but it varies greatly, no two flowers being exactly alike. The petals are long and inclined to roll, forming a large, deep, well-shaped flower of great substance on very long stems of the best quality. . Tubers, 50c.

**\*El Granada** (Hybrid Cactus). Bessie Boston creation proven out in our own gardens. Been winning gold medals in California; and the Dr. Tevis prize for "the most artistic dahlia." A vivid orange, the petals twisting and interlacing, showing at the tips a creamy yellow reverse. A wonderful dahlia growing or cut. . . . . Tubers, \$2.00; plants, \$1.00

**\*Enchantress** (Cactus). A Holland introduction of chrysanthemum-flowered form with pretty fluffy flowers composed of long, recurving petals of a glistening salmon-rose with golden suffusion; a dainty cut flower. . Tubers, \$1.00; plants, 50c.

**Etendard de Lyon** (Cactus). Everyone admires this beautiful rich carmine rose or royal purple. The flowers are distinct in shape from all others, with broad, curling, wavy petals which form a flower 6 inches in diameter and 4 inches deep; a large flower, without stiffness. . . . . Tubers, 35c.

**\*Fascinating** (Hybrid Cactus). A particularly well-shaped flower of good depth and of an exceptionally pleasing color, a brilliant glistening mallow-pink with silvery suffusion, the flowers are carried on long stems and are produced profusely, continuing to the end of the season. We consider this a valuable addition to the pink Dahlias of which there are comparatively few. . . . . Tubers, 50c.



**CACTUS DAHLIAS—Continued.**

**\*Francis White** (Cactus). A splendid white cactus of exquisite form with long narrow incurved and twisted petals. Large size, generally about 7 inches across, borne on long graceful stems. Color pure white shading to sulphur at centre. An early and extremely profuse bloomer. One of the best for garden and exhibition. . . . . Tubers, 25c.

**\*F. W. Fellows** (Cactus). One of the very best cactus varieties, with flowers of unusual size for the long, narrow-petaled type, of which this is one of the finest representatives. In color it is an intense coral red, with deeper suffusion at the centre. . . . . Tubers, 30c.

**\*George Walters** (Hybrid Cactus). One of large-flowered Californians, producing its blooms on long stiff stems very freely; these are of a pleasing salmon color with shrimp-pink shadings . . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*Gladys Bates** (Cactus). Very large, perfect flowers with incurved petals of a golden salmon, the reverse being rose, the two colors giving the effect of a golden old rose. Early, free and continuous bloomer; exceptionally good stems. One of the most popular varieties of the Cactus type. . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*Gladys Sherwood** (Hybrid Cactus). A giant among pygmies when compared with other whites of this type. Flowers sometimes 10 inches in diameter, composed of long, curling petals of glistening white, forming a flower of unusual depth. These giant flowers are held erect on strong stems and are produced in wonderful profusion. It ranks high for exhibition. . . . . Tubers, 75c.; plants, 50c.

**\*Golden Geisha** (Cactus Peony). A great acquisition to the peony class. Color clear, light canary yellow with a scarlet suffusion or blotch on each petal, most effective. The form is hybrid cactus and perfectly full at first, but later shows the Geisha form as well as a bright and refined Geisha color. Is a very strong vigorous grower and free bloomer, with long, stiff, graceful stems, especially fine for cutting and decorations. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**Graphic** (Cactus). Richest crimson, shaded maroon, tipped white. Long pointed incurved petals. A beautiful flower, with long stems. . . . . Tubers, 25c.

## CACTUS DAHLIAS—Continued.

**J. H. Jackson** (Cactus). One of the best and most reliable of the so-called black dahlias; rich velvety maroon, shaded black. A fine large flower and a free bloomer. . . Tubers, 35c.

**\*Jean Chazot or Gay Paree** (Hybrid Cactus). One of the very finest of all the autumn-tinted cactus varieties for cutting as well as for garden decoration. The flowers are of good size, very graceful formation, held on stiff long stems in such a manner that they show the full flower to best advantage. The color is a capucine or nasturtium red with gold suffusion, frequently tipped with golden yellow.

Tubers, 75c.; plants, 50c.

**\*Jersey Mammoth** (Hybrid Cactus). A dahlia of immense size, in a rich, golden mahogany color. This is one of the newer creations and winner of many prizes. It is truly a mammoth flower and your collection is not complete without it . . . . . Plants, \$1.50

**\*Kalif** (Cactus). A truly majestic flower, frequently measuring over 9 inches in diameter, of perfect cactus form, in color a pure scarlet. The habit of the plant is all that can be desired; the gigantic flowers, produced very freely, are held erect on strong stiff stems, making it a most effective variety for cutting as well as for garden decoration. . . . Tubers, 75c.; plants 50c.

**La Favorita** (Hybrid Cactus). Large hybrid cactus of a new and distinct coloring, a most brilliant orange. Free flowering; fine for exhibition. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*Lawine** (Cactus). A magnificent flower on long stems. White, lightly suffused pink. A strong, vigorous grower, early and profuse bloomer. One of the best for commercial cut flowers and for the garden. In beauty equalling most of the \$1.00 dahlias, but having a large stock we offer it at. . . . 25c.

**\*Lolita Velasco** (Hybrid Cactus). A marvelous white Dahlia, its long straight petals form into a flower of perfect shape, borne on long stiff stems. Fine for exhibition.

Tubers, \$2.00; plants, \$1.00

**\*Mae Grefe** (Colossal Cactus). This is the largest of the pink cactus Dahlias. Improvement on "Colossal Peace," as it is not only larger than that grand old favorite but has long, stiff stems. Color, pure pink, shading to rose pink, tinting lighter at centre and tips of petals. . . . . Tubers, \$1.00

## CACTUS DAHLIAS—Continued.

**Magnificent** (Cactus). Bronzy pink or oriental buff overlaid with rosy salmon. . . . . Tubers, 25c.

**\*Mariposa** (Hybrid Cactus). A perfectly formed hybrid cactus. The veining of the petals heightens the beauty and increases the novelty of the coloring. One of the gigantic California introductions which has depth as well as diameter of flower. An absolutely stiff stem. Blooms early and long. Early in the season the color is pink suffused with lavender, but later the blooms are almost a pure lavender.

Tubers, \$1.00; plants, 50c.

**\*Marjorie Castleton** (Cactus). Incurved narrow petals of a pleasing shade of rose pink with tips and centre of a creamy white . . . . . Tubers, 15c.

**\*Meesterstuck** (Cactus). This cactus from Holland is one of the most distinct and attractive varieties that has come to notice. The flowers are perfect in formation, large but graceful, they are held erect on long stiff stems in such a manner as to display their full beauty, which in color is entirely distinct from any other variety, being a rich glowing French purple with brilliant aniline-red suffusion, which is intensified by the citron-yellow base of the petals which give the flower a bi-colored appearance that is quite novel. Don't miss it.

Tubers, 50c.

**\*Mrs. Edna Spencer** (English Cactus). One of the best of the narrow-petaled cactus varieties, the large flowers are produced on strong stems and are of a most delicate lavender-pink color with white suffusion. One of the best for cutting, the color being of a tint that is universally admired; the flowers have wonderful lasting qualities. . . . . Tubers, 40c.

**Mrs. Ethel F. T. Smith** (Giant Hybrid Cactus). Creamy white, shading to lemon at the centre. This is a close counterpart, except in color, to Gladys Sherwood. The flowers are of the same formation, but still larger and not quite so deep in the centre; a remarkable Dahlia. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*Mrs. Warnaar** (Hybrid Cactus). A splendid free-flowering variety of creamy white with just a faint apple-blossom suffusion; flowers of gigantic size, over 8 inches in diameter, and on strong stiff stems; petals long and peculiarly twisted and curled. . . . . Tubers, \$1.00; plants, 50c.

## CACTUS DAHLIAS—Continued.

**\*Mme. E. P. de Normandie** (Cactus). A large flower of most distinct appearance, very regular in form, ground color is silvery pink, shaded light mauve, with just a slight golden suffusion; very dainty. A valuable cut flower. . . Tubers, 35c.

**Mme. Henri Cayeux** (Cactus). Clear pink, tinting to white at the tips. Long slender petals. A strong grower and extremely profuse bloomer. . . . . Tubers, 35c.

**\*Niebelungenhort** (Cactus). This is always greatly admired, with flowers from 7 to 8 inches across, composed of rather broad, more or less curled and twisted petals of a beautiful shade of old rose with golden apricot suffusion. Very free flowering on long stems. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*Nichu** (Hybrid Cactus). Stiff of stem, fine as a cut flower, entrancing in the garden; a great producer all season long of immense yellow flowers; chrysanthemum like, or as a friend of Bessie Boston said, "it reminds me of my Pekinese dog, Nichu," hence the name. Thoroughly proven in our own gardens. . . . . Tubers, \$2.00; plants, \$1.00

**\*Papillon** (Hybrid Cactus). The butterfly dahlia. One of the largest of this type, has shown up wonderfully well in trials and which seems to be a greatly improved Geo. Walters, it is a beautiful blending of old-rose with golden lights. An early and incessant bloomer with strong, long stems.

Tubers, \$1.00; plants, 50c.

**Pierrot** (Cactus). A unique and striking color, and of unusual grace, being composed of very long, narrow tubular petals, which are of a deep amber color, usually showing white tips, but even when it comes a self-color without these tips it possesses an individual refinement different from all other sorts . . . . . Tubers, 25c.

**\*Queen of Hearts** (Cactus). White, with creamy yellow at base. . . . . Tubers, 25c.

**Rheinischer Frohsinn** (Cactus). A most distinct and refined variety. The flowers are large, of splendid form; the long, incurving petals are white at the base, but at about one-half their length they become suffused with and change to a luminous carmine-rose, the two colors combining harmoniously. An attractive flower. . . . . Tubers, 35c.



## CACTUS DAHLIAS—Continued.

**\*Skagerrak** (Cactus). This beautiful, clear clean lemon-yellow has flowers which under ordinary field culture without disbudding measure 7 inches in diameter, which size we are certain can under special culture be increased to 9 inches or more. In form it is all that can be wished for, not at all heavy, the long petals making a deep gracefully shaped flower, always full to the centre; the flowers are held erect on good long stems, making it an ideal cut flower.

Tubers, \$1.50; plants, 75c.

**\*Sunset Glow** (Cactus). It is larger than Red Cross and better in color; it is always perfect in form. The flower is carried on splendid stems. The color is yellow at base of petal, outer part overlaid flame scarlet, tipped yellow. One of the very first to bloom.....Tubers, 50c.

**\*Vater Rhein** (Cactus). Flowers frequently 7 inches in diameter, raised well above the foliage on stout stems; the petals are broad, curled and twisted, forming an ideal flower, the color of which is yellow, suffused with salmon rose; attractive and imposing.....Tubers, 30c.

**\*U. S. A.** (Hybrid Cactus). Entirely distinct in color from all others, a pure deep orange, sparkling and glistening, an unusual color in Dahlias. These flowers are of large size, of good formation, on excellent stems, held so as to display their full beauty, and, not least of all, it is remarkably free flowering, being early and continuing in good condition to the end of the season.....Tubers, \$1.00; plants, 50c.

**\*Wodan** (Cactus). Old gold at centre, shading to a salmon rose. This variety is in a class by itself, in so far as it is an extremely vigorous, almost rampant, grower, producing the big flowers profusely on very long stems. Ideal for cutting.

Tubers, 35c.

## COLLECTIONS OF DAHLIAS.

The following collections are made up of really worth while dahlias, ones from which you will derive great pleasure. Each tuber and plant will be labeled. There is economy in purchasing these well selected collections. All collections sent prepaid. Order by number.

## COLLECTION No. 1

- 1 Graphic—crimson, shaded maroon, tipped white.
- 1 Magnificent—bronzy pink.
- 1 Queen of Hearts—white.
- 1 Minnie McCullough—gold and red of autumn leaves.
- 1 Kitty de la Mare—primrose-tinged pink.
- 1 Lotus—lively orange.

The above 6 tubers value \$1.65 for \$1.00.

## COLLECTION No. 2

- 1 Pink Jack Rose—pink.
- 1 Dream—peach pink.
- 1 Oregon Beauty—Oriental red.
- 1 Paul Bonyon—salmony pink.
- 1 Jack Rose—crimson.
- 1 Princess Juliana—white.
- 1 Frau G. Scheiff—bright, lively chamois.
- 1 Francis White—white.
- 1 Lawine—white, suffused with pink.
- 1 Marjorie Castleton—rose pink; petals tipped white.
- 1 Pierrot—deep amber.
- 1 Mme. E. P. de Normandie—silvery pink.

The above 12 tubers value \$3.00 for \$2.00.

## COLLECTION No. 3

- 1 Azalea—creamy yellow, suffused with salmon.
- 1 Bonnie Brae—cream white suffused with rose pink.
- 1 Kittie Dunlap—carmine rose.
- 1 Mrs. Ethel F. T. Smith—creamy white.
- 1 Mae Grefe—pure pink, shading to rose pink.
- 1 Sunset Glow—yellow and scarlet suffusion.

The above 6 tubers value \$3.35 for \$2.50.



## COLLECTION No. 4

- 1 Bashful Giant—apricot with golden suffusion.
- 1 Laddie—soft yellow, shaded orange.
- 1 Madonna—white.
- 1 Mrs. Carl Salbach—solferino pink.
- 1 Cigarette—creamy white, red tipped.
- 1 Mariposa—true pink with violet.
- 1 Meesterstuck—purple with aniline-red suffusion.
- 1 Pride of California—red.

The above 8 tubers value \$4.30 for \$3.25.

## COLLECTION No. 5

## DECORATIVE

- 1 Sagamore—rich amber gold.
- 1 Amun Ra—golden amber, centre reddish brown.
- 1 Champagne—champagne.
- 1 Faith Garibaldi—rose pink.
- 1 Mrs. I. de Ver Warner—mauve pink.
- 1 Snowdrift—white.
- 1 Shudows Lavender—lavender.
- 1 Wizard of Oz—amber-pink.

The above 8 tubers value \$9.50 for \$8.00.

## COLLECTION No. 6

## CACTUS

- 1 Ambassador—soft yellow.
- 1 El Granada—vivid orange, tips lighter.
- 1 Kalif—scarlet.
- 1 Mae Gréfe—pure pink, shading to rose pink.
- 1 Mariposa—true pink with violet.
- 1 Papillon—old-rose blending with gold.
- 1 U. S. A.—deep orange.
- 1 Mrs. Ethel F. T. Smith—creamy white.
- 1 Cigarette—creamy white, red tipped.
- 1 Meesterstuck—purple with aniline-red suffusion.

The above 10 tubers value \$8.75 for \$7.00.

Here is an opportunity to secure 18 beautiful Art Dahlias, value \$18.25, consisting of Collections Nos. 5 & 6 for \$12.75

**COLLECTION No. 7—PLANTS**

- 1 Amun Ra—golden amber, centre reddish brown.
- 1 California Superba—light pink, white centre.
- 1 Jersey Jewel—mallow pink.
- 1 Peerless—sulphur yellow.
- 1 Wizard of Oz—amber-pink.
- 1 Enchantress—salmon-rose, gold shadings.
- 1 El Granada—vivid orange, tips lighter.
- 1 Lolita Velasco—white.
- 1 Nichu—yellow.
- 1 Jean Chazot—nasturtium red.
- 1 Pride of San Francisco—salmon-pink, rose suffusion.

**The above 11 plants value \$8.75 for \$7.25.**

**COLLECTION No. 8—PLANTS**

- 1 Carmencita—yellow striped red.
- 1 Sagamore—rich amber gold.
- 1 Rodman Wanamaker—salmon and yellow suffusion.
- 1 Champagne—champagne.
- 1 Faith Garibaldi—rose pink.
- 1 California Enchantress—soft pink.
- 1 Kalif—scarlet.
- 1 Mariposa—true pink with violet.
- 1 Skagerrak—lemon yellow.
- 1 Jersey Mammoth—golden mahogany.

**The above 10 plants value \$8.25 for \$7.00.**

**THE SEASON'S WONDER.**

The twenty-one plants offered in Collection No. 7 and No. 8 are representative of some of the best dahlias on the market. The value of these two collections in bulbs is \$35.00 which we are offering you as plants at a wonderful saving for only \$12.50

**\$—LUCKY DOZEN—\$**

One dozen mixed dahlia tubers—likely to be no two alike.  
Postage prepaid, \$1.00.

## PEONY DAHLIAS.

**Dr. John Lane** (Peony). A most pleasing Dahlia of the Geisha type, but larger and softer in coloring. A strong vigorous plant with deep green foliage. Color yellow, suffused golden orange at base of petals, shading to rich bronzy scarlet toward the centre and tinting lighter at the tip. Tubers, 50c.

**Geisha** (Peony). It is the showiest, cheeriest and most attractive of this type yet introduced; the rich colored flowers are original in form, consisting of peculiarly twisted petals, of an effective and rich combination of scarlet and gold. Early bloomer. . . . . Tubers, \$1.00; plants, 50c.

**Mondescheibe** (Peony). Canary yellow; a great bloomer and really beautiful. . . . . Tubers, 50c.

**\*Mrs. Howard M. Earl** (Peony). A most beautiful dahlia, light yellow, suffused and overlaid carmine scarlet, tipped yellow. A Geisha type flower on long graceful stems.  
Tubers, 50c.

## POMPON DAHLIAS.

**Elfin**. Light primrose yellow. . . . . Tubers, 25c.

**Klein Domitea**. A golden terracotta. . . . . Tubers, 25c.

**Little Herman**. Cardinal red, shaded maroon; tipped white . . . . . Tubers, 25c.

**Snowclad**. The best pure white pompon. Tubers, 25c.  
3 each, 12 tubers, \$1.50.

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One dozen mixed dahlia tubers—likely to be no two alike.  
Postage prepaid, \$1.00.

## TWO WONDERFUL CANNAS.

Few flowers equal the canna for mass planting or for bordering drives. The two best reds—and red is easily the favorite—are **King Humbert**, with bronze foliage; **The President**, with green foliage. They grow about three feet high; are sturdy, healthy, happy things, making a mass of bloom during a long season.

The President, 25c. each; \$2.00 per doz.

King Humbert, 20c. each; \$1.50 per doz.

12 tubers, 6 each, \$1.75.

## \$—LUCKY DOZEN—\$

One dozen mixed dahlia tubers—likely to be no two alike. Postage prepaid, \$1.00.

## GLADIOLI.

Gladioli are one of the most beautiful and satisfactory of garden flowers. When cut they last a week to ten days in the house, are very easy to arrange into a most artistic bouquet. They bring sunshine into the home because they are so bright and cheerful.

Gladioli are unlike dahlias as to constant flowering. You should make two to four plantings, the first as soon as danger from frost is past; with successive plantings two or three weeks apart, in this way giving you blooms throughout the entire season. We offer the following fine quality varieties.

**America.** Wonderful large deep flowers on long spikes. A most beautiful soft flesh-pink; orchid-like in its coloring and texture. 5c. each; 40c. per doz.

**Baron Hulot or Blue King.** Deep, rich indigo blue. One of the best for cutting, grows on long stems. A beauty. 10c. each; \$1.00 per doz.

**Dorothy McKibben.** One of the best for garden and cutting, you should have it in your collection. Large flowers well set on a vigorous stalk; apple-blossom pink, variegated, petals ruffled. Exquisite. 8c. each; 75c. per doz.; \$5.00 per hundred.

**GLADIOLI—Continued.**

**Deuil de Carnot.** A superb French introduction with large open flowers of velvety crimson-maroon, shaded with black; very rich in color. 20c. each; \$1.50 per doz.

**Etendard.** One of the choicest introductions of the famous French hybridizer, Lemoine, with immense orchid-like flowers, four inches or more across. Upper petals rich, cream-tinted rose, lower petals marked with large fiery-red blotches, clearly margined with bright yellow. 10c. each; \$1.00 per doz.

**Evelyn Kirtland** is a charming type of gladiolus, outer petals a rose-pink, throat a dainty shell-pink. 10c. each; 75c. per doz.

**Flora.** A vigorous grower, with long spikes producing large golden yellow blooms. 10c. each; \$1.00 per doz.

**Gold Drop.** Marguerite yellow, deepening to a primrose yellow with light markings of amaranth purple in throat. This is a beautiful yellow primulinus variety. 15c. each.

**Gretchen Zang.** A soft shade of pink with scarlet marking on lower petals. This is a most satisfactory flower, growing on long spikes. 8c. each; 75c. per doz.

**Herada.** Immense blooms on long spikes; a vigorous grower. The flowers are a beautiful pure mauve with deeper markings in the throat. 8c. each; 75c. per doz.

**Mona Lisa.** Grows long spikes, with many flowers open at one time of soft pink, blending to a pale lavender. 20c. each; \$2.00 per doz.

**Mrs. Francis King.** A striking shade of light scarlet or flame color. Highly effective. 6c. each; 50c. per doz.

**Mrs. Frank Pendleton.** A most admired gladioli; vigorous grower, large soft salmon-pink blooms, the throat dotted red; blooming to the tip of long straight spikes. Have this in your collection. 8c. each; 75c. per doz.



**GLADIOLI—Continued.**

**Niagara.** A wonderful bloomer, fine for cutting, long straight stems. Color, a cream, deepening to a canary yellow; carmine blush at tips of petals; streaked throat. 8c. each; 70c. per doz.

**Orange Glory.** One of the best large gladioli; a rich shade of pure orange with lighter throat. 10c. each; \$1.00 per doz.

**Scarlano.** Vivid orange red. Large flowers on fine tall spikes. 20c. each.

**Schwaben.** One of the freest bloomers, of sturdy growth. A beautiful canary yellow, shaded to sulphur-yellow; throat speckled with crimson. 6c. each; 50c. per doz.

**White Glory.** Pure white, with iris blue lines in throat. A very fine new gladiolus. 20c. each; \$1.50 per doz.

**COLLECTION OF GLADIOLI.**

These are arranged to give a wonderful selection of blooms, and great satisfaction, at a very low cost, and require a very small plot of ground.

America—lavender-pink.

Dorothy McKibben—pink; apple-blossom throat.

Gretchen Zang—salmon-pink to deep salmon.

Herada—mauve, with color splotches in throat.

Niagara—cream color, deepening to yellow.

Schwaben—canary yellow, shaded to sulphur-yellow.

6 each of above, 36 tubers, \$2.00 or 12 each of above, 72 tubers, \$3.50.

**\$—LUCKY DOZEN—\$**

One dozen mixed dahlia tubers—likely to be no two alike. Postage prepaid, \$1.00.



### CALIFORNIA PRIVET.

California Privet is a strong healthy plant with glossy green leaves. Nothing attacks these rugged plants, neither insects nor disease find lodging here. California Privet makes a most beautiful green hedge, screens, arches, clumps on the lawn and many other purposes. For hedges, plant six inches apart in a single row, or in double rows zig-zagging every other plants using two plants to the foot. Privet can be trimmed in any shape you desire. Orders less than 100 plants sent at purchaser's expense; over that amount sent prepaid.

12" to 18" plants, 5c. per plant; \$4.00 per hundred.

18" to 24" plants, 7c. per plant; \$5.50 per hundred.

24" to 36" plants, 10c. per plant; \$7.00 per hundred.

### DAHLIA CULTURE.

Dahlias thrive in an open, sunny location, though they will succeed in partial shade in some instances. They will grow in any kind of soil, but a rich, sandy loam is the best. To enrich poor ground in the fall spade in well-rotted manure or decayed vegetation. Use bone meal at planting time, working it well into the soil. Spade the soil thoroughly as deep as possible before the tuber is planted.

**PLANTING.** Dahlias are planted in the spring. It is safe to plant either tubers or plants any time after the danger of frost is over. They usually blossom in from six to eight weeks after planting time. When ready to plant place stout stakes at least three feet apart, four feet is better; then dig the holes about six inches deep and place the bulb in a horizontal position with the sprout end two inches from the stake. NEVER stand the bulb on end. This method of planting is known as the "stake" method and is the most successful for general results.

**CULTIVATION.** For the most beautiful flowers cultivate often. Keep the soil loose around young plants. Do not permit it to bake or harden. After each rain cultivate them to keep the ground in good condition and prevent weed growth. Later in the season when the fine, silky roots come to the surface stop cultivation and put a mulch of some kind around the plant to retain moisture and protect the small roots.

**TRAINING THE PLANT.** After several sprouts appear remove all but one or two from each plant. When they are sufficiently above the ground to show three or four leaves, pinch out the centre stem. This will cause branches to grow from the laterals and produce a strong, bushy plant. At this time they should be securely tied to the stake with twine or some soft material. Continue the tying as the plant grows so that it will not be broken down by wind or other causes.

**FOR LARGE BLOOMS.** For extra large blooms remove the first set of side shoots from the first bud with a sharp knife. This forces the plant life that would have gone into the two side shoots into the first bud, making an extra large flower, and giving a good stem. For exhibition purposes disbud every side shoot down the entire length of the stalk. The one flower that you will get from the plant will be of gigantic size.

**FORCING FOR EXHIBITION.** To produce the finest flowers for exhibition purposes, plant three to five feet apart, using a liberal amount of manure or fertilizers: cultivate frequently; apply fertilizer or manure, broadcast or liquid form, at each or every other hoeing, and disbud. Nitrate of Soda proves very effective for forcing. Apply when plants are in bud, making applications often, but do not use too much at a time. Apply Nitrate of Soda in crystal form on top of the ground, or in liquid form, using one tablespoon of nitrate of soda crystals to a gallon of water, using sprayer or watering can.

When the flower-buds appear, only one bud should be allowed to come to maturity, enabling each branch to produce one exceptionally fine, perfect flower. The flowers, for quality, must not be allowed to receive the drenching rains or scalding sun when nearing full bloom and should be protected from such.

It is always advisable to cut flowers that are to be exhibited as late as possible at night when the dew is on them, placing them in water and keeping them as cool as possible over night, thereby enabling them to withstand handling, packing and transportation.

**WATERING.** Use very little water until flowering buds appear, after which plants can be thoroughly watered about once a week. Soak the ground until moist at least six inches deep. Rake over the surface the following day. This conserves moisture and lets in air and sunshine.

**HARVESTING.** As soon as the frost kills the foliage and the strength of the stalk recedes into the tubers, harvest your Dahlias. Dig them up carefully, do not pull them up. After removing the clump from the ground, shake gently to remove the soil that will naturally fall off. Cut off the tops two or three inches from the clumps. Lay them in the sun and air for about an hour or two. Pack in a cool frost-proof place having an average temperature of about 45 to 55 degrees. The cellar provides the best place for their storage. It is a good plan to insulate them from furnace and frost with burlap, paper or canvas. This excludes the air and preserves an even temperature. This is very important, as bulbs will shrivel and dry up if not properly taken care of.

**DIVIDING THE CLUMPS.** Divide the clumps in the spring. The dividing should be done carefully with a sharp knife or coping saw and particular care should be taken to avoid the necks of the tubers. The eyes of the tubers are easily recognized. Cut the tubers so that there is at least one eye on each division of the clump.

**TO PRESERVE CUT FLOWERS.** Flowers should be cut late in the afternoon or early in the morning. Place tips of the stems in water for about twenty seconds while boiling on the stove and immediately plunge the tips deep into cold water. If blooms droop prematurely place stems deep in hot water and allow them to remain until the water cools. This will usually revive them. A pinch of salt in the water helps.



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